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PRESS MEMORANDUM

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

The Governor has vetoed Senate Bill 27 by Sadler, allowing school districts in drouth areas to maintain a sufficient number of professional units to retain accreditation.

In his veto message, the Governor said:

"Some features of this bill are very beneficial. However, if it became law, there would be no provision in the Gilmer-Aikin law for determining the number of classroom teacher units, vocational teacher units, special service teacher units and others to be allotted to the various school districts throughout the state. It is apparent that it was not the intent of the Legislature to omit these provisions. Therefore, because of this omission, I feel that I must veto this bill.

"The Texas Education Agency has assured me that it would work out a formula whereby those drouth-stricken areas would receive the relief intended by this bill until this matter can again be considered by the Legislature."